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## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 32-36, 40-44 and 62-71 are pending following entry of the present Amendment. Applicants reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of cancelled claim 86 in a continuation application

## REJECTION OF THE CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 102

Claim 86 is rejected as anticipated by Scott et al. [Stroke (1999) 30: 793-799].

The sole rejected claim, claim 86, has been cancelled by the present amendment and it is therefore believed that the outstanding rejection is rendered moot and that the present application is therefore in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this amendment or application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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